



John Bowen, Dunbar-Van Cleve Professor in Arts and Sciences at Washington University in St. Louis, spoke on "Can Islam be French? Pluralism and Pragmatism in a Secularist State" on February 6, 2009, at the Mershon Center for International Security Studies.



John Bowen spoke to a crowd of more than 60 guests at the Mershon Center for International Security Studies. He discussed problems of pluralism, law, and religion, highlighting contemporary efforts to rethink Islamic norms and law in France.



John Bowen (left), Professor of Arts and Sciences at Washington University in St. Louis, spoke with two Ohio State faculty members: Alice Conklin (center), Professor of History, and Jennifer Willging (right), Professor of French, on Feb. 6, 2009. Conklin invited Bowen to visit the Mershon Center as part of the Empire History Speaker Series.



Richard Herrmann (left), director of the Mershon Center for International Security Studies, spoke with John Bowen (right), Dunbar-Van Cleve Professor in Arts and Sciences at Washington University in St. Louis. They discussed Herrmann's research on national identity in France.